



University Sustainability Coalition Meeting
November 9, 2021
10am - 11am
Virtual Meeting

The University Sustainability Coalition was formed with one goal: To increase higher education sustainability efforts in Louisiana.

The idea of forming the university sustainability coalition was born from a steering committee of university representatives developing the university affiliate program as part of an EPA Trash Free Waters Grant with UL Lafayette and Keep Louisiana Beautiful. There are no fees associated with being a part of the coalition, just a seat at the table with your peers to communicate and is open to anyone in higher ed sustainability. Current sustainability coalition members represent universities from Grambling State University, Louisiana State University, Loyola University, Nicholls State University, Northwestern State University, Tulane University, River Parishes Community College, Xavier University, UL Monroe, UL Lafayette, University of New Orleans.

Attending: 12 Individuals, 9 Universities

Asja Jordan (UL Monroe), Aimee Thomas (Loyola University), Bruce Walker (UL Monroe), Cabell Mouton (Keep Louisiana Beautiful), Corbin Covert (Northwestern University), Ellen Smiley (Grambling State University), Esperanza Zenon (River Parishes Community College), Jordan Stewart (Tulane University), Rory Bedford (Grambling State University), Carol Lunn (UNO), Bruce Walker (ULM), Helena Robinson (Xavier University), Jerrod Penn (LSU)

Meeting Opened: 10:00 am

Introductions were made.

Report: In an effort to establish frequency, structure, length, and format of the future coalition meetings, Jerrod Penn with LSU issued a Qualtrics Survey to the university sustainability coalition contact list prior to the meeting. Jerrod reviewed the results of the survey (see attached.)

The coalition agreed to the following for the university sustainability coalition meetings:

Frequency: Meet 8 times a year: January, Feb, March, April, May, September, October (In-person at KLB State Conference), and November. Student presentations encouraged at the in-person meeting in October.

Topics: Top 3 topics for meetings are waste/recycling, funding, and network/engagement. Create small achievable goals, what do you have working well at your university that can be duplicated and shared with others.

Format: One hour meeting with 20-minute presentation followed by a broader discussion with Q & A.

Student Participation: Yes

Most Useful Sustainability Topics: Alternate transportation, Professional Development, Landscape, Networking, Food and Dining

NEXT MEETING: Tuesday, January 18, 10am to 11am

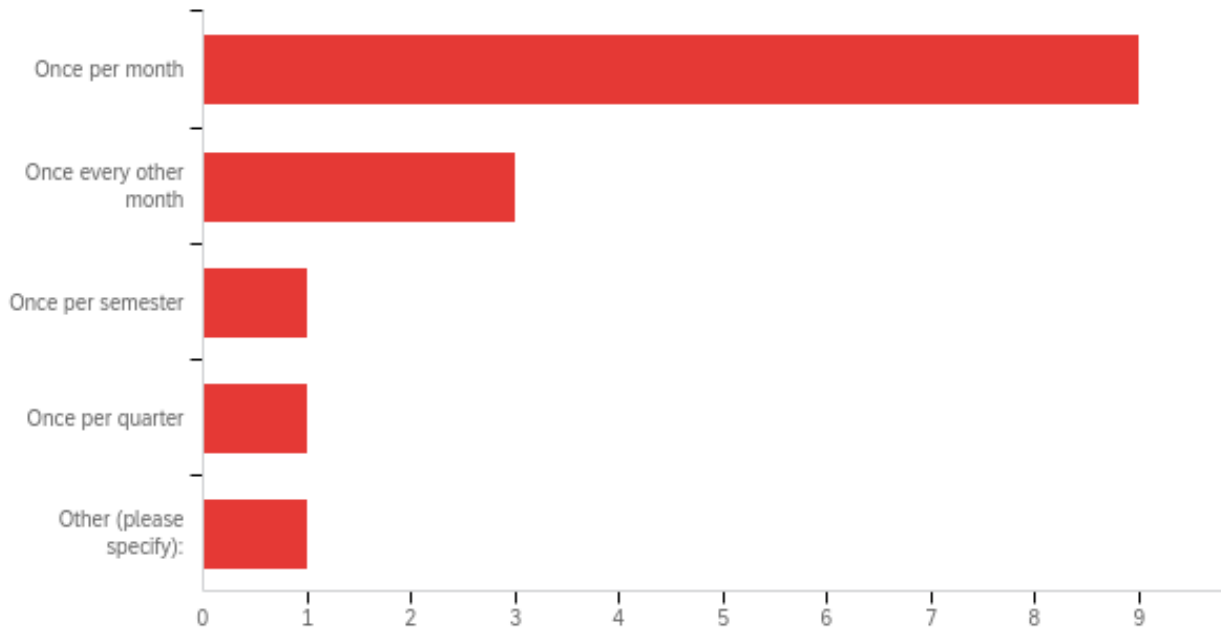
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Meeting adjourned at 11:00pm

QUALTRICS

LA University Sustainability Survey

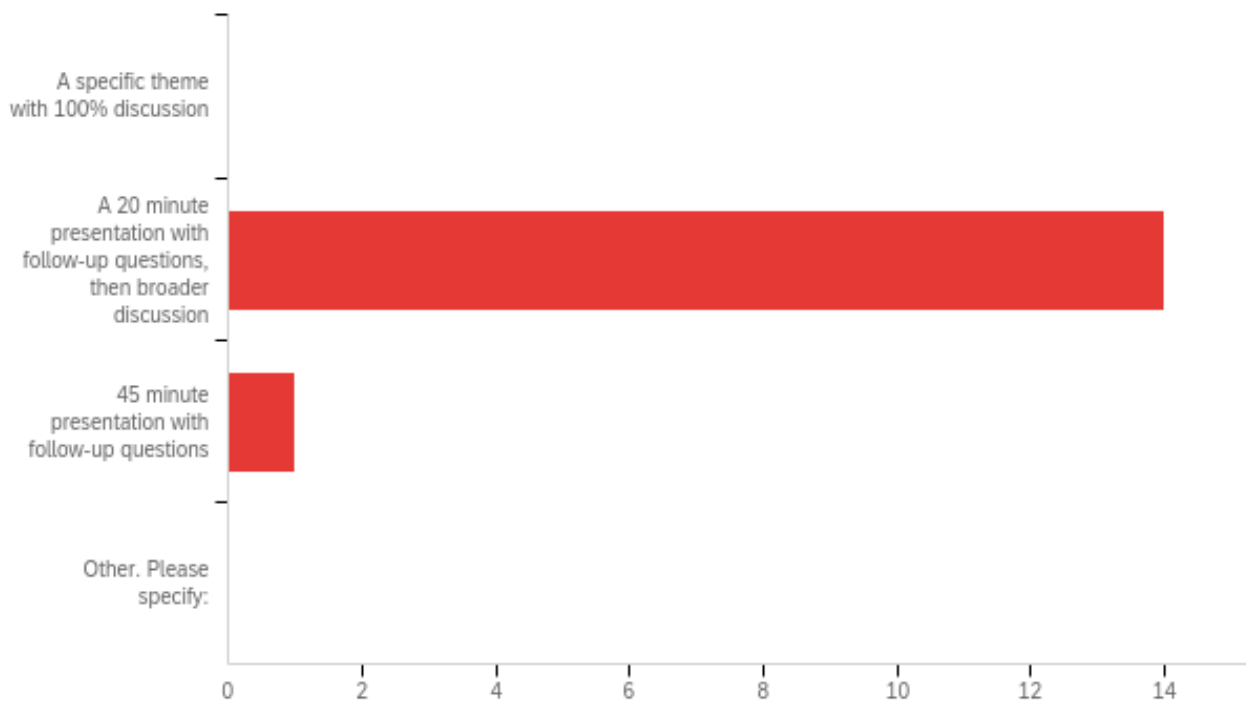
Timing - How often would you prefer to meet?



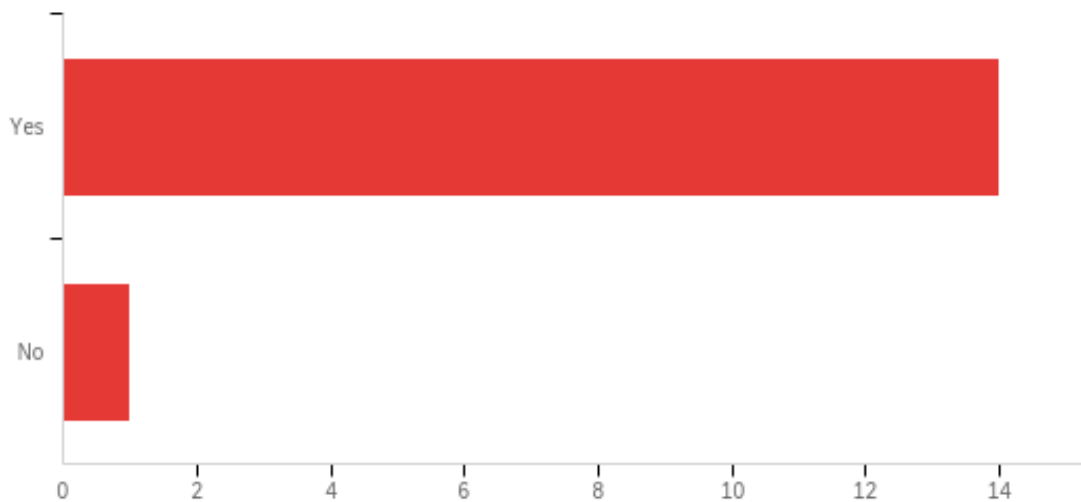
Other (please specify): - Text

Once a quarter with inperson meeting once a year.

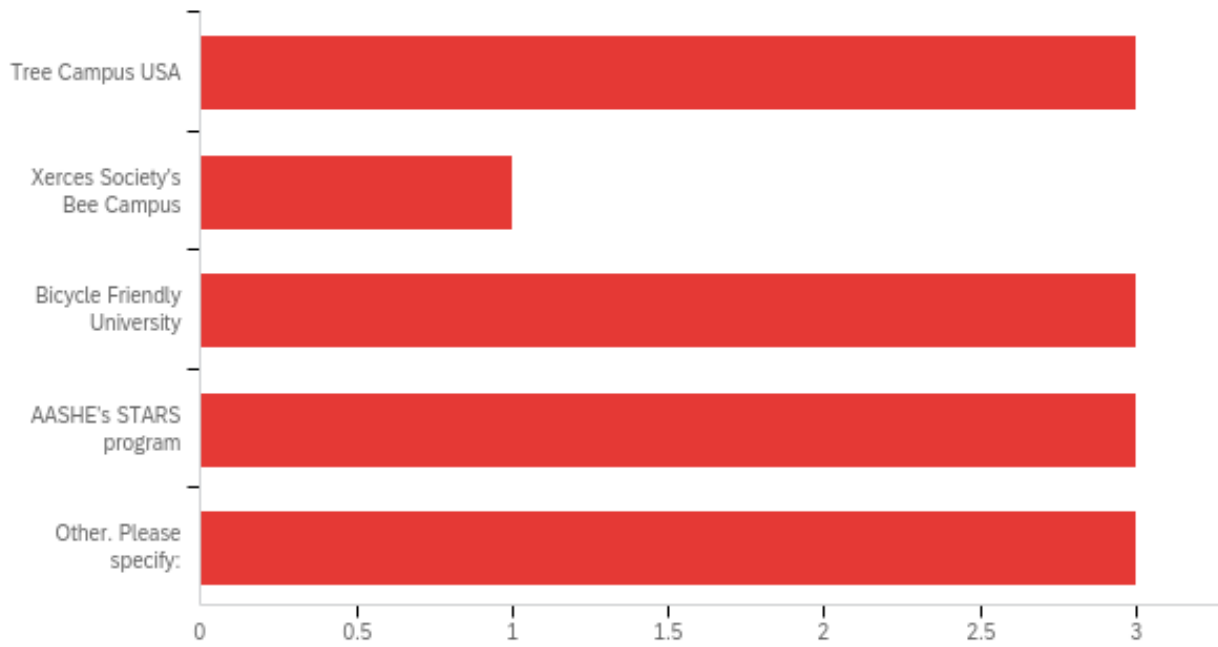
Format - What is your preferred 1-hour meeting format?



Student attend - Would you like students to be able to participate/shadow the meetings?



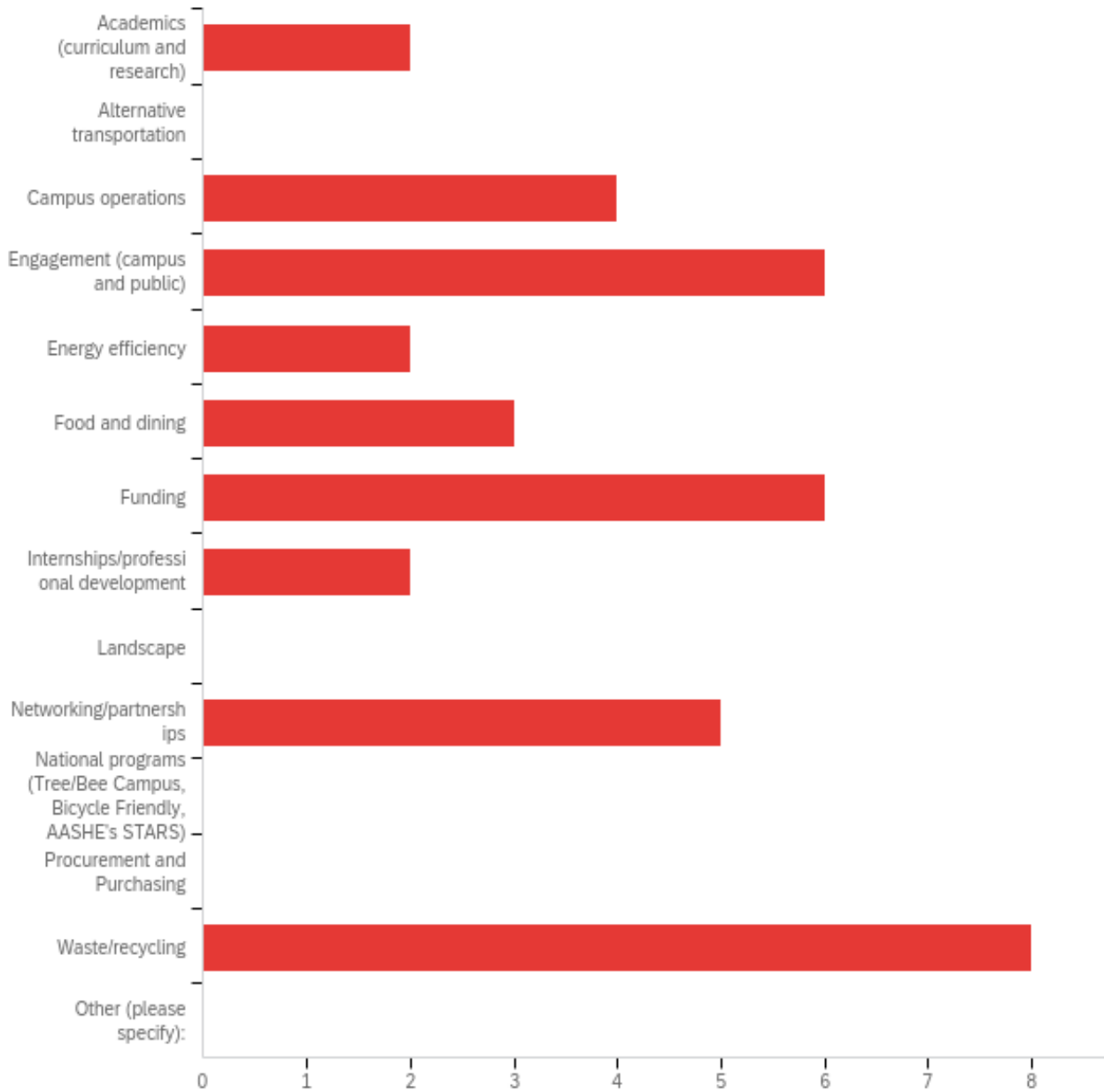
Q4 - Please select any of the following programs your university participates in



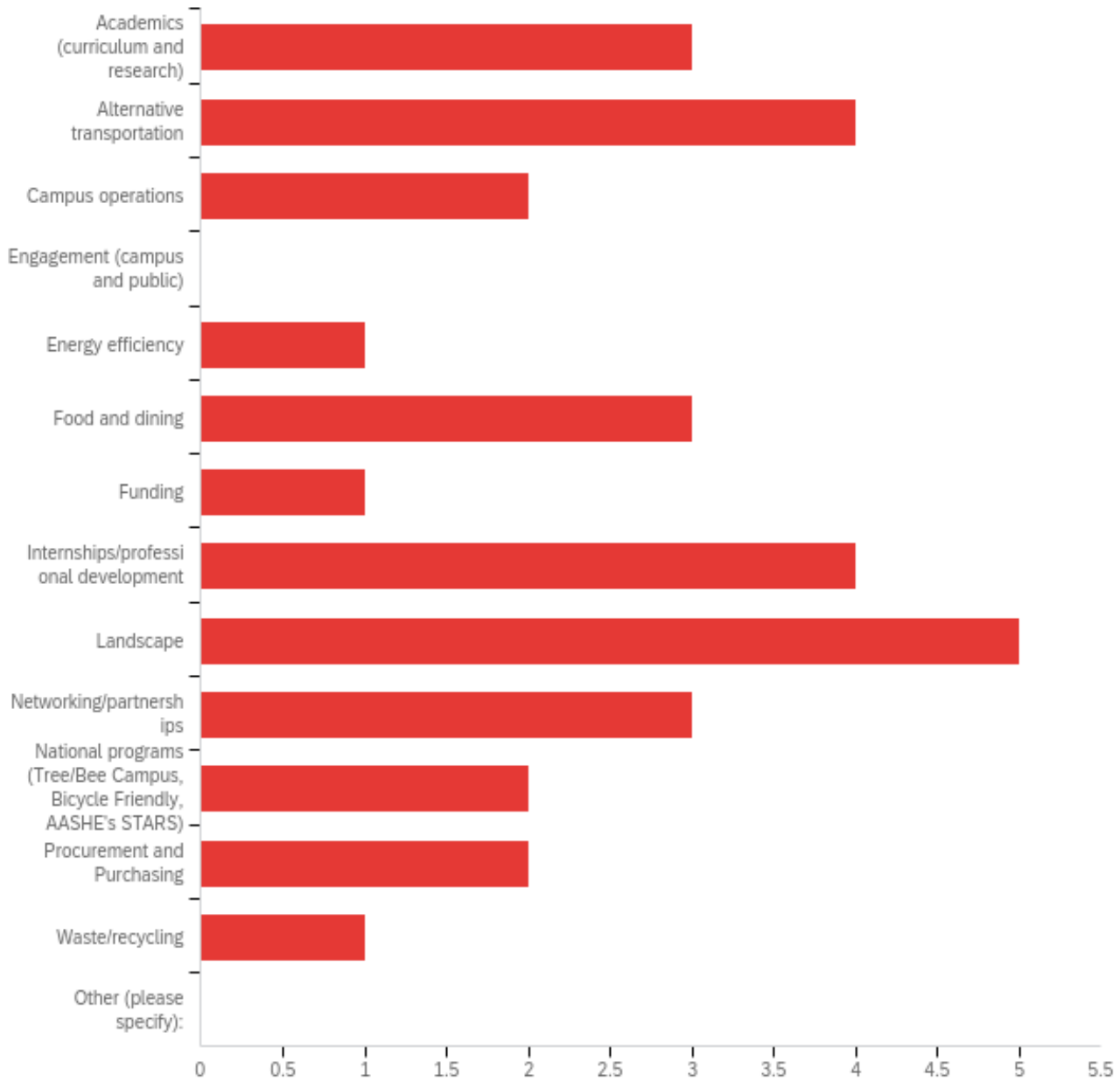
Q4_5_TEXT - Other. Please specify:

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Q6 - Pick the 3 most useful sustainability topics to your college/university.



Q11 - Pick the 3 least useful sustainability topics to your college/university.



Q10 - Please describe what your vision and ideas for what you would like to get out of the Louisiana University Sustainability Coalition. What knowledge, activities, and outcomes would be most beneficial

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Any growth toward sustainability would be a win, I am an artist working alone.

Learn what's going on elsewhere to introduce to ULM

Sharing opportunities, ideas and suggestions for improving sustainability practices on our campuses. Funding opportunities to implement these are important as well.

Increase the network and knowledge within the state to more efficiently adopt more sustainability practices. Provide a mechanism for networking and professional development, including for students.

I would like to know more about the mission of KLB and network with colleagues working on this project.

As a Graduate Assistant working with Community Engagement and Service, I seek to find opportunities to grow the campus relationship with the community. In context to this group, I'd like to learn more about sustainability efforts and how to begin initiating sustainability and recycling efforts on ULM campus. I have faculty, staff, and students that have expressed interest but I feel a little lost on where to go and what resources are out there!

Vision for the group is to have a coalition of universities that can share ideas, provide or lead to resources to help with sustainability activities/causes Most beneficial would be knowledge on storm water management practices, waste management, and energy efficiency

- I'd like to expand my grasp on campus sustainability in Louisiana and to have a better grasp on unique projects that would justify a field trip! - We might also consider how this group might stay abreast of K-12 environmental education and activity in green jobs/green industries - Topic of interest: Greenhouse Gas emissions reporting and tracking; emerging climate action initiatives by the state; carbon pricing/strategic planning.

Information and resource connections about best practices in the areas identified